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In re application: **Bauchot et al.**

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Serial No.: 09/838,420

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For: Method and System in an  
Electronic Spreadsheet for Managing  
and Handling User-Defined Options

§ Customer No. 50170  
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Final Office Action dated January 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Listing of Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.